

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-6 (Cancelled).

Claim 7 (Original): A liquid crystal display device comprising:

- first and second substrates facing into each other;
- a gate line on the first substrate;
- a gate insulating layer on the first substrate including the gate line;
- an active layer on the gate insulating layer;
- a data line over the active layer;
- a passivation layer on the data line;
- a pixel electrode on the gate insulating layer and having a stitch line therein;
- a black matrix over the second substrate, wherein the stitch line in the pixel electrode substantially overlaps the black matrix in a vertical direction.

Claim 8 (Original): A liquid crystal display device comprising:

- first and second substrates facing into each other;
- a gate line on an inner surface of the first substrate;
- a first insulating layer on the gate line;
- a silicon layer on the first insulating layer;
- a data line on the silicon layer, the data line crossing the gate line;

a second insulating layer on the data line, the second insulating layer having the same shape as the silicon layer;

a pixel electrode at a pixel region defined by the gate and data lines;

a black matrix on an inner surface of the second substrate;

a common electrode on the black matrix; and

a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrates, wherein at least one stitch line is formed in the gate insulating layer during a step-and-repeat exposure for forming the second insulating layer, and the black matrix substantially overlaps the stitch line in a vertical direction.